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Serial No. 09/197,534) Examiner: William D. Coleman
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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE
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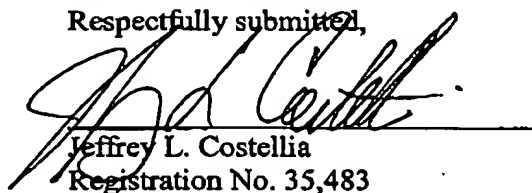
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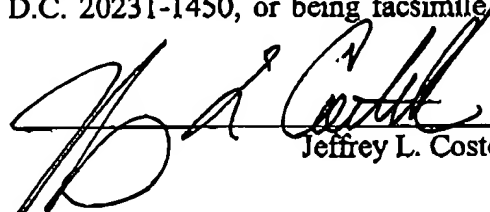
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